

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOGADISCIO 1943

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MPOL, SO, US

SUBJ: REESTABLISHING DAO IN MOGADISCIO

REF: STATE 211222

1. IN CALL AUGUST 22 ON MINISTER OF DEFENCE MOHAMED ALI SAMATAR, I RAISED QUESTION CONCERNING METHOD AND TIMING OF ANY PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT DAO REOPENING. SAMATAR RESPONDED THAT GSDR DOES NOT HAVE A PRACTICE OF PUBLICLY ANNOUNCING ARRIVALS OF MILITARY ATTACHES. "THE ANNOUNCEMENT TAKES CARE OF ITSELF WHEN THEY PAY THEIR COURTESY CALLS AT THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE," HE SAID.

2. THAT WOULD SEEM TO TAKE CARE OF THE MATTER SO FAR AS THE GSDR IS CONCERNED. RECOMMEND THAT WE TAKE OUR CUE FROM THE SOMALIS, HANDLE ANNOUNCEMENT IN WASHINGTON AS ROUTINE.

3. BELIEVE STATEMENT TO THE PRESS ON AN "IF ASKED" BASIS ALONG LINES SUGGESTED PARA 3 REFTEL WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

4. FYI: SOMATAR DIDN'T BAT AN EYE WHEN I SAID THAT  
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A TEMPORARY DATT COULD ARRIVE MOGADISCIO AS EARLY AS WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 16-17. END FYI.

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